

## GREATER RIDGEWOOD YOUTH COUNCIL, INC.

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Tom Wheeler Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

On behalf of the Greater Ridgewood Youth Council, a not-for-profit youth agency serving 2700 families daily, I am writing to extend our support to New Charter, a proposed cable broadband company poised to make a big impact on the telecommunications industry. Our organization strives to improve the quality of life for all of its participants and this has been greatly enhances with the building for the TWC Learning Lab. We believe New Charter would be a great partner to our community by investing heavily in broadband infrastructure and offering innovative services.

The merger proposal outlines substantial goals, including investing \$2.5 billion dollars in commercial networks and building out one million residential line extensions. These would be huge investments in our nation's broadband infrastructure, and would be aimed at mostly underserved regions.

New Charter's investments would be expansive, and would also include digitizing across its entire national footprint and upgrading each customer to cloud-based technology. Keeping in mind quality customer care, New Charter would complete these projects without disturbing service to customers by requiring new box sets. We know that these modern technologies would allow our members, no matter their location, the opportunity to compete for business with companies located in large metropolises.

We look forward to working with New Charter, and are confident our clients would gain from its services. We ask you to consider these benefits and approve the merger.

Sincerely.

∕Bob Monahan President/GRYC